

AMENDED IN SENATE APRIL 20, 2006

**SENATE BILL**

**No. 1628**

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**Introduced by Senator Perata**

February 24, 2006

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An act to ~~amend Section 66540~~ of *add Section 66540.9* to the Government Code, relating to the San Francisco Bay Area Water Transit Authority.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1628, as amended, Perata. San Francisco Bay Area Water Transit Authority.

Existing law establishes the San Francisco Bay Area Water Transit Authority and specifies its organization, powers, and duties. *The authority is governed by a board comprised of 11 members appointed by the Governor, Legislature, and a specified community advisory committee.*

This bill would ~~make a technical, nonsubstantive change to that law~~ *authorize each member of the board to appoint an alternate, who would serve in the absence of the member at a meeting of the board and who would have all of the powers and duties of the member in that regard.*

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1     *SECTION 1. Section 66540.9 is added to the Government*  
2     *Code, to read:*

1     66540.9. *Each member of the board may appoint an*  
2 *alternate, who shall serve in the absence of the member at a*  
3 *meeting of the board and who shall have all of the powers and*  
4 *duties of the member in that regard.*

5     ~~SECTION 1. Section 66540 of the Government Code is~~  
6 ~~amended to read:~~

7     ~~66540. Unless the context otherwise requires, the definitions~~  
8 ~~set forth in this section govern the construction of this title.~~

9     ~~(a) “Authority” means the San Francisco Bay Area Water~~  
10 ~~Transit Authority created pursuant to Section 66540.1.~~

11     ~~(b) “Board” means the board of directors of the authority.~~

12     ~~(c) A “public water transit operating agency” is any general~~  
13 ~~purpose local government or special district that operates or~~  
14 ~~sponsors water transit, including, but not limited to, those water~~  
15 ~~transit services provided by agreement with a private operator.~~